Reason for this Transmittal

[] State Law or Regulation Change

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[X] Initiated by DCSS

[] Federal Law or Regulation

[] Court Order or Settlement

[] Clarification requested by One or More Counties

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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS TO THE SLOVAK

REPUBLIC - UPDATED INFORMATION

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) recently released Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) 04-11 with updated information regarding International Child Support Payments to the Slovak Republic. The instructions issued with DCL-04-11 clarify the information previously issued under DCL-03-42 regarding child support payments to the Slovak Republic.

Dear Colleague Letter 03-42 explained that the Slovak Republic could no longer accept child support collections sent by paper check, and that collections should be sent by SWIFT (Society for Worldwide International Financial Telecommunication) wire transfer. However, as reported in DCL-04-11, due to difficulties associated with the use of SWIFT, the Slovak Republic is now requesting that payments be sent directly to the custodial parents, including checks mailed in U.S. dollars, unless a more efficient method is available to the IV-D Agency.

Dear Colleague Letter 04-11 is available on the OCSE website at:

http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/cse/pol/DCL/2004/dcl-04-11.htm

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Carlos Rivera, Acting Chief of the Policy Branch, at (916) 464-5236.

Sincerely,

on behalf of

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